

Example of possible topics for master thesis

Topics related to financial reporting and firm transparency:

- Availability of financial information for European (private) firms
- Measures of firm transparency
- Financial reporting transparency and M&A activities
- Financial reporting transparency and insolvencies
- Financial reporting transparency and ratings on job-search platforms
- Disclosure of financial information on social media
- Firms' choice of disclosure channels
- Effects of the new IFRS 18 standard

Topics related to sustainability and ESG reporting:

- Cross-country differences in voluntary sustainability reporting
- Effects of the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive
- Effects of the EU Taxonomy
- Measures of sustainability performance
- Measures of quality of the sustainability reporting
- Environmental risk disclosure and firm performance
- Management board diversity and firm performance

Topics related to insolvency and bankruptcy prediction:

- Financial reporting transparency and identification of financial distress
- Identification of zombie firms
- Post-insolvency outcomes: liquidation versus restructuring
- Effects of insolvency law reforms